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last payment and with part of this payment. As far as solutions are concerned, we are busily trying to make sure that the rules and regulations, and I understand those now have been completed and are at the Attorney General's office or soon will be, which will be the guts of the issue in terms of the financial section rules and regulations. There are some other refinements and definitions we need to do to shore this up just a little bit. I think the thing can move on. I think we can move in an orderly process for it. What we are buying, and there is no question, is time and I hope that within the next 60 days we can have the thing worked out. I hoped this six months ago, though, but it didn't come true. The only thing I say to you that this is one of the ways that we are going to see that there is a continuation of services and that is my concern. And again, I have no pride of authorship in it. It's an approach. I think it is an acceptable approach. It's legal. It's a defensible approach and I think it should be done.

PRESIDENT: Senator Richard Lewis.

SENATOR RICHARD LEWIS: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I have a question or two I would like to direct to Senator Frank Lewis. Senator Lewis, I don't want to be accused of participating in a witch hunt but I do have a question or two that I would like to have answered and I think, perhaps, you could answer them. I do know, or I have been told, at any rate, that some districts have been overpaid. Can you identify those districts?

SENATOR FRANK LEWIS: They can be identified and there are some that are. Let me identify the general trend of those that have been overpaid. Generally, most of them were overpaid in that first payment because they sent it out on a ADM basis. Most of them were small schools. In fact, all of them, it was my understanding, were small schools and most of those payments would be less than five or six thousand dollars. I went to the Attorney General first, Senator Lewis, and suggested to him that the school districts that had their plans there, their budgets approved, their children identified should have been paid. The rest of them should not have been paid. Forget it but there have been some overpayments but, again, most of those are very small in nature and, again, I could be wrong but as I recall the five or six or seven examples I seen, they all involved less than five or six thousand dollars.

SENATOR RICHARD LEWIS: May I continue, Mr. President. Senator Lewis, I understand some of these costs were reimbursable resulting in an overpayment. Can you identify those areas.

SENATOR FRANK LEWIS: There are some adjustments, I believe, that will have to be made in terms of budgets as to what a reimbursable cost is. I think that will be satisfactorily solved with rules and regulations and, again, no school district that provides services of substantial levels will be involved in an overpayment and those adjustments, of course, are going to be made the last third or fourth quarter, so the state is not in any danger of losing any money.

SENATOR RICHARD LEWIS: These adjustments cannot be made, then, at this payment level that you are suggesting?